



PATENT  
450100-03079

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Jun MURAYAMA et al  
Serial No. : 09/816,272  
Filed : March 23, 2004  
For : CODING APPARATUS, CODING METHOD AND RECORDING MEDIUM HAVING  
CODED PROGRAM RECORDED THEREIN, AND DECODING APPARATUS,  
DECODING METHOD AND RECORDING MEDIUM HAVING DECODED  
PROGRAM AND RECORDED THEREIN  
Examiner : Khanh C. Tran  
Art Unit : 2631

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Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.  
☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below.  
☐ This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

**Claims as Amended**

| (1)                                     | (2)<br>Claims remaining after<br>amendment | (3)   | (4)<br>Highest<br>number<br>previously<br>paid for | (5)<br>Present extra | (6)<br>Rate | (7)<br>Additional<br>Fee |
|---|--|-------|--|----------------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| Total claims                            | 16   | Minus | 27   | 0                    | \$18 (9)    | 0                        |
| Independent claims                      | 3  | Minus | 6  | 0                    | \$88 (44)   | = \$0                    |
| Total additional fee for this amendment |  |       |  |                      |             | \$0                      |

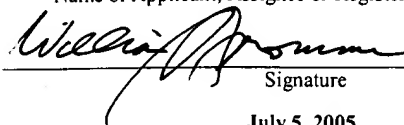
- \* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.  
\*\* If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.  
\*\*\* If the highest number of independent claims previously paid for is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

- ☐ This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$300(150) has been previously paid ☐, or is paid herewith ☐.
- ☐ This response is being filed within the \_\_\_\_\_ month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is attached, which covers the cost of ☐ additional claims \_ petition for extension of time.
- ☐ Charge \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.
- ☒ Please charge any additional fees incurred by reason of this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

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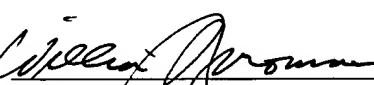
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Respectfully submitted,

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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 26, 2005, please amend the above-identified  
application as follows: